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whom they are located. God, who made man, and who understands thoroughly all his needs, gave him the one rest day in seven, not as a holiday, but as a holy day, and when we allow it to be made a day of sports instead of a day of rest in order to worship and cultivate the spiritual life, we dishonor God, and rob man of one of God's most essential and most precious gifts to him.

We would, therefore, most respectfully but earnestly petition our President and those associated with him in authority, who, we rejoice to know, are God-fearing, Christian men, to use their influence and power to safeguard, as far as possible, the Lord's day, and preserve it from desecration, and maintain it as a holy day of rest and worship.

We also most earnestly call upon our Christian people to stand more earnestly and steadfastly than ever for the faith once for all delivered to the saints, and by their own conduct and their influence and their efforts, to do all in their power to maintain the Christian Sabbath, and thus obtain for themselves and for our nation the blessing which God promises in His word to all who keep this law. Read Isaiah 58:13, 14.

"If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord, honorable; and shalt honor him, not doing thine own ways, nor speaking thine own words; then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father; for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it."

THE GREATER WAR.

Egbert W. Smith.

A recent letter from one of our missionaries in China closes with this prayer:

"God grant that our people may not, during this awful war in Europe, forget the war we are waging against sin and Satan in this far country!"

While we are training our boys for the Franco-Belgian front, let us remember that far-flung battle line in Asia, Africa and Latin America, which for years has been suffering for want of men and supplies.

On our lonely missionary outposts—amid the forests of Africa, on the hills of Korea, by the rivers of China, many of these heroes of the cross have fallen. Well might a native Christian cry: "O winds that sweep over those who have died for a cause they loved more than life, touch lightly, we beg,

the sacred dust. O sun, touch gently with thy burning rays the lives of those who still live and toil. Let the story of their untiring energy and unwavering faith and hope in Jesus Christ be a perpetual inspiration to the children of God."

While we remember our boys in khaki, let us not forget those other soldiers of ours who in far distant lands are holding the line for Christ. This is no time to reduce their supplies.

Presbyteries

EAST HANOVER.

This Presbytery met September 25th in Hebron church in Dinwiddie county. The opening sermon was preached by the retiring moderator, Rev. W. W. Bain.

Rev. H. J. Williams was elected moderator, and Rev. O. E. Buchholz temporary clerk.

Rev. F. D. Thomas, Jr., was received from Ebenezer Presbytery; Rev. Dr. H. S. Allyn from South of Minas Presbytery, Synod of Brazil, and Rev. Robert E. Lee Hayes from

Black Hill's Presbytery, U. S. A.

A call from Hopewell church for the pastoral services of Rev. F. D. Thomas, Jr., was placed in his hands, and he was allowed to hold it until

the spring meeting, and permission was given him to supply the pulpit until that time.

Commissioners to the General Assembly (Continued on page 16)

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"We recommend that the General Assembly engage now, led by the Moderator, in prayer that our people may be able and willing to give the \$1,925,000 named as needful for the benevolent causes (of the Assembly) and that the pastors be urged to lead their people in definite prayer for the amount mentioned throughout the year."

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62,462	6.52	Louisiana	100,000
152,186	5.93	Georgia	240,000
298,829	5.85	Virginia	465,000
94,146	5.29	Missouri	150,000
143,178	4.72	South Carolina	225,000
46,776	4.69	Florida	80,000
81,202	4.64	Tennessee	130,000
49,768	4.52	Arkansas	80,000
172,448	4.51	Texas	270,000
93,248	4.49	Kentucky	150,000
42,211	4.24	West Virginia	80,000
65,355	3.40	Mississippi	100,000
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